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Commissioner for Patents BOX PATENT APPLICATION Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL FOR A NEW PATENT APPLICATION <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)</u>

This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of:

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For:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING A CONFIGURABLE
	ELECTRONIC BUSINESS EXCHANGE PLATFORM

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1.	This is a new Utility Design Plant patent application.
2.	The papers enclosed to obtain a filing date are as follows: Pages of Application including: 46 Pages of Disclosure 4 Pages of Claims (4 Independent – 22 Total) 1 Page of Abstract; and 24 Sheets of drawings containing 24 Figures The enclosed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S).
3.	Declaration for Patent Application OR Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney Enclosed and is newly executed by all inventors. Enclosed in this continuation/divisional application and is a copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d). Not Enclosed.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f). Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fees.

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9. Small entity status

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 is claimed for this application.

10. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

	CLAIMS	FOR FEE CALCULA	ATIO	٧		
	Number Filed	Number Extra		at Rate of	Basic Fee Utility \$740.00 Design \$370.00	
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	22 - 20 =	2	\$	18.00 each=	+\$	36.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	4 - 3 =	1	\$	84.00 each=	+\$	84.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. §1.16(d)) \$ 280.00					+	
				SUB-TOTAL =	+\$	860.00
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11. Fee Payment

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	ACCOUNT AT THIS TIME.
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12. Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

13.	Additi	onal papers enclosed:
		Nonpublication Request pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.213 Combined Power of Attorney by Assignee and Certificate under 37 CFR § 3.73(b) Change of Correspondence Address Preliminary Amendment Information Disclosure Statement Form PTO- 1449, documents as listed Declaration of Biological Deposit Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

Respectfully submitted,

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